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[ ] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. 1.27

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		Small Entity		Small Entity		Small Entity	
Application Type	Fee ($)	Fee ($)	Fee ($)	Fee($)	Fee($)	Fee($)	Fees Paid ($)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee($)	Small Entity Fee($)
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee ($)	Fee Paid ($)		Multiple Dependent Claims	
__8__ - 20 or (HP) = __0__ x __50.00__ = __0.00__					Fee($)	Fee Paid ($)

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Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee($)	Fee Paid ($)
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated April 4, 2006, please amend the above-identified

application as follows:

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